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Matter No. 064693-0092
U.S. Patent Application
Title: **SURGICAL DRAIN WITH SENSORS FOR MONITORING INTERNAL TISSUE CONDITION**
Inventors: Ramez Emile Necola Shehada and Nicolas Jabbour
Subject: Transmitting Patent Application for Filing

Dear Sir or Madam:

We enclose for filing the patent application of:

Inventors: Ramez Emile Necola Shehada and Nicolas Jabbour

For: Surgical Drain With Sensors For Monitoring Internal Tissue Condition

This applicant claims Small Entity Status. See 37 C.F.R. 1.27.

The application includes:

- Cover + 39 pages of specification, claims, and abstract
- Twenty-six (26) sheet(s) of drawings (Figures 1-16)

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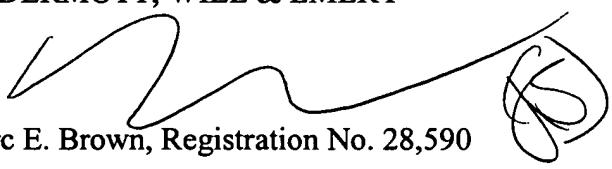
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